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In re the Application of

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For: A PARQUET STRIP, THE USE THEREOF FOR MANUFACTURING A PANEL OR A
PARQUET ELEMENT AS WELL AS A PARQUET ELEMENT MANUFACTURED
THEREFROM AND A METHOD OF MANUFACTURING A PARQUET STRIP

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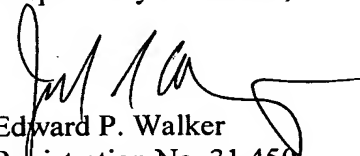
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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.56, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached PTO-1449. Unless otherwise indicated herein, one copy of each reference is attached. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

- ☒ 1. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed (a) within three months of the U.S. filing date of this non-CPA application, OR (b) before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits in the present application. No certification or fee is required.
- ☒ 2. The references 1-9 and 14-15 were cited in a counterpart foreign application. An English language version of the foreign search report is attached for the Examiner's information.
- ☒ 3. The references 10-13 were cited in a German Office Action. An English language version of the German Office Action is attached for the Examiner's information.
- ☒ 4. An English-language abstract for the non-English language reference 13 is attached hereto.

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